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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am a widow living alone in Santa Rosa after the fires, trying to keep my house and continue my successful therapy practice for those who need me most. I am black and white blind from a brain injury, cannot keep track of the mail menu and long hierarchy of At&t, so I need internet with a small company whom I can get on the phone without delay. Sonic provides broadband which is critical to my work, since much of my learning and teaching goes online, all day long, between text, iPad, and computer. I do some pro-bono work, so I need also the telephone service at a lesser price, and Sonic provides a reasonable rate as well as phone support easily. I have to say NO to any price hikes that would put life and work in danger, both for phone and internet. I would like more providers to offer high-quality services! I left At&t since I could not get the service at a good price and repairs when I needed them.

I thank you for counting my vote to keep the option to have Sonic be able to have access to create Fiber for cost-effective telephone and internet service. thank you,

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